

# The Brunsville Blitz

Brunsville, Iowa

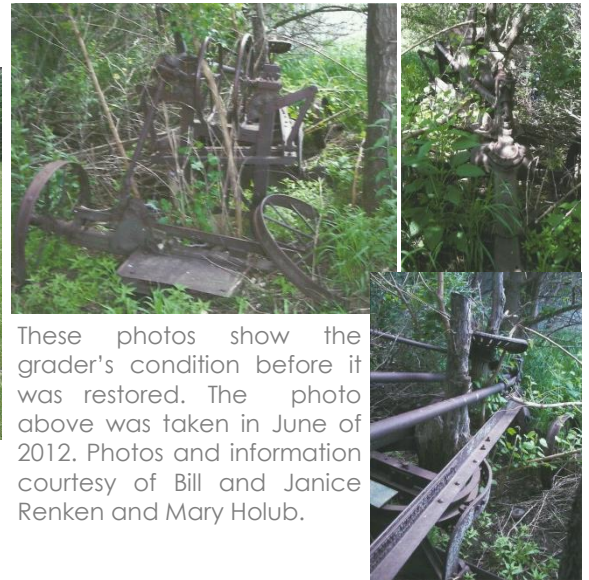
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## Brunsville grader is restored



Above: The horse-drawn road grader that was used on the streets in Brunsville from 1912 to 1950 was restored by Darrell Oltmanns who then donated it to the Plymouth County Historical Museum in Le Mars.



These photos show the grader's condition before it was restored. The photo above was taken in June of 2012. Photos and information courtesy of Bill and Janice Renken and Mary Holub.

## Craig's 8th Annual Tractor Ride

Sat., August 10

Registration at 8 a.m., ride starts at 8:30 a.m.

Coffee & donuts will be served at the Craig shelter house before the ride. At 8:30 we leave the shelter house and head to Oak Grove Park. We'll head back to Craig Park to have dinner at 12:30. After dinner there will be a drawing for prizes.



## Memorial ride will be August 10

**Save the date!** The Steve Westhoff Memorial Ride will begin at the Corner Café Saturday, August 10 at 2 p.m. Come ride, socialize and remember!

## Family Fun Day!

with Independent Riders for Children & Charities

August 24

in conjunction with Brunsville Days  
& BBQ Grill Cook-off

## 28th Annual Toy Run

Starts and ends at the Corner Café  
Registration at 10 a.m., leave at noon  
All vehicles and ages are welcome  
\$10 and a new toy (for up to age 5)

## Brunsville Car & Bike Show

Starts at noon

Free-will donation or new and slightly used toys  
Kids can bring their custom-decorated box cars  
Trophies for best kids' cars  
All donations will go to Le Mars Head Start program  
and other charities

## Live band 8-11 p.m.

Award categories: Cars & bikes, people's choice, judges' choices, kids' choices

Sponsored by the Corner Café, Scooter Natural Meats, ABATE-District 20, Total Motors, Bob's Bike Shop and Rooster Harley-Davidson

## Use of Centennial funds determined

Twelve people attended the Brunsville Centennial follow-up meeting on Monday, July 15 at the Brunsville Legion. The use of \$7,611.48 remaining from the 2011 Centennial will be

applied toward Brunsville Park shelter house improvements. A future meeting will be held once project bids are received.

### *In Memory of...*

Marie Heyman (Julie Plueger's mother), who passed away July 3  
John Oetken, who passed away July 26  
Darrell Oltmanns, who passed away July 24

### *In Our Prayers*

Donna Erickson  
The family of Marie Heyman (Julie Plueger's mother)  
Shelly Hunt (Kim Sherlock's mother)  
Martha & Tom Morley  
John Lambert (Lonesome Jack)  
The family of John Oetken  
The family of Darrell Oltmanns  
Janice Renken  
Mary Renken  
Griz Schiltz  
Orval Siebens  
Mary Singer  
Rich Taylor  
Joyce Willer

### *Birthdays*

David Small Aug. 1  
Darv Ladenthin Aug. 1  
Benjamin Morehead Aug. 1  
Andrea Raasch Aug. 4  
Jessy Plueger Aug. 4  
Grant Vittetoe Aug. 7  
Seth Oetken Aug. 11  
Mitchell Morehead Aug. 11  
Judd Herzberg Aug. 14  
Julie Plueger Aug. 15  
Beau Hultquist Aug. 16  
Faith Worley Aug. 18  
Rob Wiese Aug. 18  
Aiden Mickelson Aug. 18  
Aspen Becker Aug. 19  
Rick Westhoff Aug. 20  
Kinley Scarlett Aug. 23  
Heather Von Hagel Aug. 25  
Nancy Harms Aug. 25  
Aria Kruger Aug. 25  
Ben Weiler Aug. 26  
Emilia Lubben Aug. 27  
Knox Lehmann Aug. 27  
Joan Renken Aug. 28  
Trent Osterbuhr Aug. 29  
Gene Pegler Aug. 31  
Zachary Taylor Aug. 31  
Kyle Schlessler Aug. 31

### *Anniversaries*

Nick & Samantha Schlichte Aug. 2  
Camie & Matthew Blundell Aug. 9  
Josh & Sheila Fuller Aug. 12  
Michaela & Josh Krahling Aug. 12  
Justin & Erica Kellen Aug. 13  
Brittney & Michael Ruba Aug. 15  
Pat & Naomi Renken Aug. 24  
Chris & Katherine Schlichte Aug. 29  
Mike & Kim Willer Aug. 31  
Mike & Sandy Borchers Aug. 31



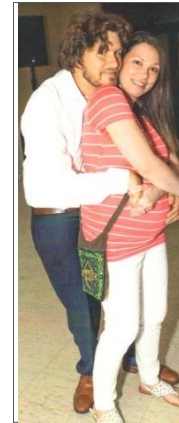
**Four Seasons Garden Club  
Yard of the Month  
winner:  
Hank Farmer**

Photo by Bowen Rieken.

**Annual Willer reunion**  
Sun., Aug. 18 in the First National Bank community room of Akron. Lunch at noon. Bring a hot dish and salad OR dessert. Drinks will be provided.

### **Theatre tickets go on sale**

Get your tickets to Le Mars Community Theatre's production of Rumors, a comedy written by Neil Simon. At a large, tastefully-appointed Sneden's Landing townhouse, the Deputy Mayor of New York has just shot himself. Though only a flesh wound, four couples are about to experience a severe attack of Farce. As the confusions and miscommunications mount, the evening spins off into classic farcical hilarity. Cast members include Melanie Sailer, Brad Wiltman, Janelle Bixeman, Dalton Glawe, Susan Willer, Joel Johnson, Rahkel Hansen and Tina Laskie. Performances are August 8, 9 and 10 at 7:30 p.m., August 11 at 2 p.m., August 16 and 17 at 7:30 p.m. and August 18 at 2 p.m. Member reservations begin Wednesday, July 31 and public reservations begin Friday, August 2. Reserve online at [lemarscommtheatre.org](http://lemarscommtheatre.org) or call 712-546-5788 weekdays 11 a.m.-2 p.m.



### **Thank you**

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the July 21 fundraiser for Lyle James Krienert.

—Clint Krienert and Brandy Crawford

Left: Clint Krienert and Brandy Crawford.



### **Softball tournament held**

The Westhoff family recruited a team of family and friends to play ball July 12 and 13. It was a round-robin tournament of six teams playing five games together. They had a fun weekend and are ready for next year.

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**CITIZEN OF THE MONTH:**  
Mary Korthas



## Life at the Legion



Ashley Beitelspacher speaks at the July Legion meeting about her experiences at Iowa American Legion Girls State.

**Ashley Beitelspacher**, the daughter of Michael & Becky Beitelspacher, spoke at the July Legion meeting about her experiences at Iowa American Legion Girls State, which was held June 16-21. Ashley said it was a great experience. She ran for the office of Secretary of Agriculture and missed out by three votes in the first round. Thank you, Ashley, for representing the Brunsville Legion Post 724.

**Tucker Heeren**, the son of Jim and Sandy Heeren, attended Iowa American Legion Boys State June 9-14. Tucker is grateful for the opportunities the trip taught him that can't



The Heeren McHale Legion Post 724 presents the flags at the opening show of the Plymouth County Fair.

be matched by any other program. Thank you, Tucker, for representing the Brunsville Legion Post 724.

### Upcoming events

**Aug. 5** Sons of American Legion meeting at 7 p.m., Legion meeting at 7:30 p.m.

**Aug. 17** Gene and Linda Beitelspacher's 50th anniversary

**Aug. 24** Samantha Kuecker and Lee Suydam wedding reception and dance

**Sept. 9** Legion membership supper

## New Briar Cliff coach has Brunsville ties McGlaufflin named Briar Cliff baseball coach

SIoux CITY -- The new baseball coach at Briar Cliff University has Brunsville ties.

Sioux City native and North High School graduate Corby McGlaufflin was named the Chargers' coach late last month. Corby is the son of Mike and Becky McGlaufflin of Sioux City and the grandson of Joan and the late Erv Renken of Brunsville. The former Becky Renken, of course, grew up in the Brunsville area.

He spent the last three seasons coaching at Bismarck State College in North Dakota, guiding the Mystics to an 84-39 record with two junior college conference titles in the MonDak Conference.

After a successful high school career at North, McGlaufflin played at Southwest Minnesota State. He was an assistant coach at North from 2009-2011 (the Stars won a state championship in 2009) and an assistant at Bishop Heelan in 2014 and also spent time as an assistant at the University of Mary, also in Bismarck.

"It's a great feeling coming home," McGlaufflin told the Sioux City Journal. "I've always wanted to give back to the game of baseball, and to be able to do that close to home. Not a lot of people get to do that. It's pretty special."

## Where to find copies of The Blitz

You can find print copies of The Brunsville Blitz at Iowa Prairie Bank, the Brunsville post office, Corner Café, Merrill Public Library, Le Mars Public Library and Brunsville Legion pancake breakfasts. Current and past copies are also available at brunsvilleiowa.com. Or subscribe to ensure you don't miss an edition (see back page for details).

## Corner Café coverage

**The Corner will be closed the Saturday, Sunday and Monday of Labor Day weekend so employees can be with their families to celebrate the end of summer.**

### Evening specials

**Sun.** Blaine Boy (loose meat) \$2.50

**Mon.** Alicia's Mexican Specialties 5-8:30 p.m.

**Tues.** Corner burger & fries \$7.50

**Wed.** Whole chicken (no substitutions) with fries or mashed potatoes & gravy \$15.99

**Thurs.** (Weather permitting) Bike night—outside grill. Fresh cut ribeye sandwich \$10; hog sandwich (pork tenderloin/pulled pork/bacon) \$10; hamburger \$4; cheeseburger \$5; chips \$1

**Fri.** Prime rib with potato salad

**Sat.** Prime rib with potato salad; steak special with potato salad

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## Szepelak wins Brunsville Open by one shot

BY BARRY POE



Above: Brandon Phelan putts while Clark Schmitz looks on during Brunsville Open at Prairie Rose Golf Club.

Greg Szepelak, a regular golfing partner of defending champion Joel Tainter from Sergeant Bluff, Iowa, won the Brunsville Open by a shot on Sunday, July 21 at Prairie Rose Golf Club.

Szepelak edged Tainter by a stroke, shooting 1-over-par 73 to a 74 for Tainter, last year's champion. T.J. Tapper finished third with a 76, while Dave Irwin (77) and Doug Loutsch (79) rounded out the top five.

Numbers were a bit down from the last few years, primarily because of a couple of other tournaments being held in the area. A total of 28 players competed in perfect conditions.

Course superintendent Brandon Phelan – who somehow found time to take part in the event – has Prairie Rose in immaculate condition, as always. Remember to appreciate

Brandon for his many hours of work and dedication to keep our course among the top nine-hole layouts in the state.

As we've stated before, we are very fortunate to have a facility of this magnitude in our small community. And if not for the efforts of Brandon and his staff, this would not be possible.

Szepelak had nine-hole totals of 36 and 37, while Tainter shot 38-36. This marks the second straight year a player from the Sioux City area has claimed the top prize.

Payouts were broken down to two flights of 14 players each. Kevin Borchers wound up winning the second flight with 92.

Following is a complete list of scores from the 2018 Brunsville Open. We'll see you back here next year and hopefully a non-conflicting date can be established in order to attract more players.

First Flight: Greg Szepelak 36-27—73, Joel Tainter 38-36—74, T.J. Tapper 37-39—76, Dave Irwin 39-38—77, Doug Loutsch 36-43—79, Jason Gaswint 37-42—79, Jason Cleveland 40-39—79, Jim LeMoine 41-38—79, Clark Schmitz 42-39—81, Ron DeKok 44-48—82, Mick Muth 43-42—85, Adam Loutsch 43-42—85, Sergio Ceriani 48-40—88, Mark Bietelspacher 46-45—91.

Second Flight: Kevin Borchers 47-45—92, Barry Poe 47-46—93, Scott Renken 44-49—93, Joe West 45-48—93, Dean Borchers 47-48—95, Shane Muth 47-49—96, Brandon Phelan 49-48—97, Rick Westhoff 49-48—97, Troy Plueger 51-49—100, Dave Bruggeman 53-48—101, Colan Borchers 54-49—103, Kelly Bietelspacher 52-57—109, Mitch Renken 60-52—112, Kyle Borchers 56-60—116.

**Deadline for submissions is the 25th the month before.**

### Quote 'Ems

A man tried to sell me a coffin today. I told him that's the last thing I need.

### Lonesome Jack says...

When I came home from playing golf, I found a note my wife had left on the fridge. "It's not working," she wrote. "I can't take it anymore. Gone to stay with Mother." I opened the fridge. The light came on and the beer was cold. I never did find out what she was talking about.

Man loses dog. Puts an ad in the paper: Here, boy.

I can't understand why people are frightened of new ideas. I'm frightened of the old ones.

Hi, Donna. Hang in there.

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